

To: Indiana Superintendents, Principals, and School Leaders

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Subject: Implementation Timeline for Instruction and Assessment of Updated Indiana Academic Standards

Pursuant to Indiana Code (IC) 20-31-3, the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) reviews Indiana Academic Standards (IAS) at least once every six years. Accordingly, IDOE facilitated stakeholder committee reviews and a public comment period for the Health, Physical Education, and Fine Arts (i.e., Dance, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts) IAS for kindergarten through grade 12. IDOE will recommend these updated standards for adoption at the Indiana State Board of Education (SBOE) meeting on Wednesday, June 7.

Pursuant to IC 20-31-3-1(c-d), IDOE convened stakeholder committees (e.g., educators, parents, community members) to update IAS to align with the key skills and traits necessary for students to be successful after high school graduation. The prioritized standards were developed with the goal of representing no more than 75 percent of the current IAS for kindergarten through grade 12. Committees also defined approximately one-third of these prioritized standards as essential for mastery by the end of each grade level or course. IDOE will present these prioritized standards for final approval at the SBOE meeting on Wednesday, June 7.

Additionally, IDOE's Office of Kindergarten Readiness facilitated stakeholder committees and a public comment period to review and confirm vertical articulation of the Indiana Early Learning Foundations. IDOE will present final recommendations for adoption at the SBOE meeting on Wednesday, June 7, recommending that they be renamed "Early Learning Standards," to be included in future review pursuant to IC 20-31-3.

Pursuant to Indiana Code (IC) 20-31-3-1(c), ILEARN will be redesigned to accommodate the updated IAS. Educator committees will convene in June to finalize blueprints for the redesigned ILEARN. The blueprints will be informed by results of the learning progression survey (sent to corporations in late April), content-area specific considerations, educator committees, and corporation feedback following committee work. Corporations making adjustments to curriculum scope and sequence may wish to review the final ILEARN blueprints prior to confirming those decisions.

The following information highlights the revision, implementation, and assessment timelines to reflect updates to IAS and legislatively-required prioritization. IDOE will release specific guidance to schools regarding instructional/assessment considerations following SBOE's anticipated adoption of the prioritized IAS in June 2023.

**Revision School Year**: IDOE facilitates stakeholder committee reviews and public comment periods prior to presenting recommendations to SBOE for approval.

<u>Implementation School Year</u>: Schools integrate new and updated IAS into local curricula to ensure students have an opportunity to receive appropriate instruction. IDOE's Office of Teaching and Learning will release updated standards resources and provide a variety of learning opportunities throughout the summer and fall.

**Assessment School Year**: New and updated IAS are assessed operationally on statewide accountability assessments (e.g., ILEARN, IREAD-3, I AM).

IC 20-31-3 Revision, Implementation, and Assessment Timelines					
Content Area(s): Grade Band	Revision	Implementation	Assessment		
Science K-12 Computer Science K-8	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024		
Fine Arts (i.e., Dance, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts)	2022-2023	2023-2024	N/A		
Health and Physical Education (PE)	2022-2023	2023-2024	N/A		
World Languages, including Workplace Spanish Standards	2024-2025	2025-2026	N/A		

IC 20-31-3-1(c-d) Revision, Implementation, and Assessment Timelines						
Content Area(s): Grade Band	Revision	Implementation	Assessment			
			School Year	Test Administration(s)		
Early Learning Standards*	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	TBD		
Grades K-8 Mathematics ELA Social Studies	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	IREAD-3		
			2025-2026	ILEARN Grades 3-8: ELA and Mathematics Grade 5: Social Studies		
Grades 9-12 Mathematics English/Language Arts (ELA) Social Studies Science	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	Digital SAT School Day  ILEARN  Biology End-of-Course  Assessment (ECA) (Winter and  Spring only)  U.S. Government ECA		
Grades K-12 Integrated STEM	2022-2023	2023-2024	2025-2026	ILEARN TBD		
Grades K-12 Content Connectors Mathematics ELA Social Studies Science Computer Science	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	I AM Grades 3-8: ELA and Mathematics Grade 5: Social Studies Grades 4 and 6: Science and Computer Science		

<sup>\*</sup>Currently known as "Early Learning Foundations"

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